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SUBJECT: KENYAN REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 4954

1. POST CONSULTED WITH LOCAL UNHCR REP ON NOV 4, 1975 CONCERNING MR. KENNITH KARIUKI'S REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM (REPORTED REFTEL). UNHCR REP WAS AWARE OF CASE BUT HAD NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH KARIUKI FOR "OVER A MONTH". UP TO THAT POINT, UNHCR POSITION WAS THAT TANZANIAN WOULD ALLOW HIM TO STAY IN TANZANIA BECAUSE HE WAS A CITIZEN OF AN EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY MEMBER STATE. THAT BEING SO, UNHCR WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE HIM AS A REFUGEE. CONOFF THEN RELATED KARIUKI'S CLAIMS THAT HE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN ENTRANCE INTO UNIVERSITY BECAUSE HE COULD NOT GET TANU PARTY CLEARANCE; HAD BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN A WORK PERMIT, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE HE IS A KENYAN; TANZANIAN SECURITY HAD FORCED HIM FROM THE HOUSE WHERE HE WAS STAYING; AND TANZANIAN IMMIGRATION HAD WARNED HIM IT WAS CONSIDERING WITHDRAWING THE EMERGENCY TRAVEL DOCUMENT IF HE DID NOT USE IT SOON TO LEAVE TANZANIA. UNHCR REP STATED THAT, IF THESE ALLEGATIONS WERE TRUE, IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSIST HIM BUT AT THE COST OF INCURRING TANZANIAN DISPLEASURE.

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2. UNHCR REP THEN SAID HE, PERSONALLY, BELIEVED KARIUKI'S

STORY BASED ON HIS EXPERIENCES IN TANZANIA AND WOULD ATTEMPT
TO CLARIFY SITUATION. HE FEELS THERE IS A POSSIBILITY HE
CAN GET KARUIKI ADMITTED TO THE UNIVERSITY, BUT, IF HE CANNOT,
HE WILL ASSUME KARIUKI'S STORY TO BE TRUE. HE WOULD NOT
COMMIT HIMSELF BEYOND THIS POINT.
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